

The Honorable Michael K. Powell
Chairman
Federal Communications Commission
445 12th Street, S.W.
Washington, D.C. 20554

Dear Chairman Powell:

As a customer of DIRECTV, I am writing to urge you to DENY the pending merger of EchoStar and HUGHES, the parent company of DIRECTV. I believe the merger will decrease competitive choices for consumers like me.

The combined company will be a much worse for consumers.

Broadband internet is worthless because it only is high speed one way, when downloading. For those of us who actually know that the internet is a two way street, the cable internet access is an inferior product.

I appreciate your consideration of my views.

Sincerely,

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